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REMARKS

This is UNEVALUATED Information

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1. On 29 September 1953, the Artillerie Kaserne in Perleberg was occupied by a guard detail, wearing red-bordered black epaulets. From 21 to 29 September 1953, Colonel Bragin (fnu), and his unit were still at the Schweinrich training camp. [redacted] Lieutenant Colonel Salmin (fnu), also was still at the training camp. 25X1
2. On 29 September 1953, the barracks installation at the Perleberg air base was occupied by a guard detachment. [redacted] Melnikov (fnu), successor to Lieutenant Colonel Drapachenko, Vasilyev (fnu), Polechuk (fnu), Zachkov (fnu), Zyamin (fnu), Babenko (fnu), and Vyasovoy (fnu). 25X1
3. On 14 September 1953, a railroad car with billeting equipment for Unit [redacted] was unloaded at the air base. 25X1
4. Prior to 29 September, the units rotated from the post to the Schweinrich training grounds were still at the training camp. They were expected to return by about 10 October. On 1 October, Colonel Ananyev (fnu), was transferred to the USSR. His successor, whose name and rank were still unidentified, had arrived before 20 September. Prior to 29 September, Major Zorokin (fnu), still belonged to the headquarters in the Schweinrich camp as an administrative officer. Prior to 29 September 1953, the two baker's ovens in the area of the air base which had a daily output of 5,000 kilogram baking units each were completed. Repair work worth about 60,000 eastmarks was done in the barracks installations of the post. Other major repair work was in preparation for the barracks installations. No estimate of the building costs for this work was available prior to 29 September.
5. No loading and unloading activity was observed in Perleberg during the time of observation.
6. During the time of observation, only limited motor traffic was observed in the post area. Motor-vehicle [redacted] identified included trucks [redacted] 25X1

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1. Comment. The two installations are still occupied as indicated in a previous report [redacted] on 20 September. [redacted] the units of the 18th Mecz Div would return between 4 and 8 October. [redacted] belongs to the transport control office of the Third Shock Army. Except for Zyamin (fnu), and Vyasovoy (fnu), the officers are known from previous information.

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